

# House Study Bill 584 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
VETERANS AFFAIRS BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON ZIRKELBACH)

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the waiver of undergraduate tuition and  
2 mandatory fees by state postsecondary institutions for  
3 persons who served on active duty in the military service of  
4 the United States in a designated combat zone or hazardous  
5 duty area.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 260C.14, subsection 2, Code Supplement  
2 2009, is amended to read as follows:

3 2. Have authority to determine tuition rates for  
4 instruction.

5 a. Tuition for residents of Iowa shall not exceed the  
6 lowest tuition rate per semester, or the equivalent, charged  
7 by an institution of higher education under the state board  
8 of regents for a full-time resident student. However, except  
9 for students enrolled under section 261E.6, if a local school  
10 district pays tuition for a resident pupil of high school age,  
11 the limitation on tuition for residents of Iowa shall not  
12 apply, the amount of tuition shall be determined by the board  
13 of directors of the community college with the consent of the  
14 local school board, and the pupil shall not be included in the  
15 full-time equivalent enrollment of the community college for  
16 the purpose of computing general aid to the community college.

17 b. Tuition for nonresidents of Iowa shall not be less than  
18 the marginal cost of instruction of a student attending the  
19 college. A lower tuition for nonresidents may be permitted  
20 under a reciprocal tuition agreement between a merged area and  
21 an educational institution in another state, if the agreement  
22 is approved by the director.

23 c. The board may designate that a portion of the tuition  
24 moneys collected from students be used for student aid  
25 purposes.

26 d. The board shall waive tuition and mandatory fees for  
27 persons who served on active duty in the military service of  
28 the United States in a designated combat zone or hazardous duty  
29 area on or after September 11, 2001.

30 Sec. 2. Section 262.9, Code Supplement 2009, is amended by  
31 adding the following new subsection:

32 NEW SUBSECTION. 36. Waive tuition and mandatory fees for  
33 persons who served on active duty in the military service of  
34 the United States in a designated combat zone or hazardous duty  
35 area on or after September 11, 2001, and who are enrolled as

1 undergraduate students.

2 Sec. 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection  
3 3, shall not apply to this Act.

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EXPLANATION

5 This bill directs the boards of directors of the community  
6 colleges and the state board of regents to waive undergraduate  
7 tuition and mandatory fees for persons who served on active  
8 duty in the military service of the United States in a  
9 designated combat zone or hazardous duty area and who are  
10 enrolled as undergraduate students.

11 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code  
12 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section 25B.2,  
13 subsection 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from  
14 complying with a state mandate if funding for the cost of  
15 the state mandate is not provided or specified. Therefore,  
16 political subdivisions are required to comply with any state  
17 mandate included in the bill.